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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Madam:

This is in response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed February 18, 2009 (Part of Paper No./Mail Date 20090203), for which a response is due on March 18, 2009. Applicants hereby provisionally elects Group I, claims 1-18, without traverse, for continued examination.

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